



# **STATE MINING AND GEOLOGY BOARD**

## **EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

For Meeting Date: March 8, 2012

### **Agenda Item No. 14: Presentation of 2011 SMARA Surface Mine Inspection Reports for Twelve Surface Mining Operations for Acceptance Consideration by the State Mining and Geology Board.**

**INTRODUCTION:** The State Mining and Geology Board (SMGB) serves as the lead agency under SMARA for forty-six (46) individual surface mining operations, including operations located in three counties (Alpine County, El Dorado County and Yuba County), nine San Francisco Bay marine dredging operations, and seven cities that do not have mining ordinances. SMARA inspection reports for twelve surface mining operations are being presented for acceptance consideration.

**MINE INSPECTION REPORTS FOR THE SMGB'S ACCEPTANCE CONSIDERATION:** The 2011 SMARA mine inspection reports to be presented at the SMGB's March 8, 2012, regular business meeting for acceptance consideration are as follows:

- Hanson Alcatraz, Presidio, Point Knox (CA Mine ID #91-38-0001), BCDC.
- Hanson Point Knox South (CA Mine ID #91-38-0002), BCDC.
- Hanson Point Knox Shoal (CA Mine ID #91-38-0003), BCDC.
- Hanson Alcatraz South Shoal (CA Mine ID #91-38-0004), BCDC.
- Hanson Suisun Bay (CA Mine ID #91-38-0005), BCDC.
- Hanson Suisun Bay Middleground (CA Mine ID #91-38-0006), BCDC.
- Jerico Suisun Bay Middleground (CA Mine ID #91-38-0007), BCDC.
- Morris Tug & Barge Marine Oyster Shell Mining (CA Mine ID #91-38-00011), BCDC.
- San Francisco Marina Dredging Operation (CA Mine ID #91-38-0012), BCDC.
- Parks Bar Quarry (CA Mine ID #91-58-0013), County of Yuba.
- Blue Point Clark Quarry (CA Mine ID #91-58-0015), County of Yuba.
- Blue Point Mine (CA Mine ID #91-58-0021), County of Yuba.

A summary of violations, corrective measures and inspector's recommendations for the above surface mining operations are presented below.

Hanson Alcatraz, Presidio, Point Knox (CA Mine ID #91-38-0001), BCDC:

No violations or corrective measures were noted at time of inspection on December 27, 2011.

Hanson Point Knox South (CA Mine ID #91-38-0002), BCDC:

No violations or corrective measures were noted at time of inspection on December 27, 2011.



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Hanson Point Knox Shoal (CA Mine ID #91-38-0003), BCDC:

No violations or corrective measures were noted at time of inspection on December 28, 2011.

Hanson Alcatraz South Shoal (CA Mine ID #91-38-0004), BCDC:

No violations or corrective measures were noted at time of inspection on December 28, 2011.

Hanson Suisun Bay (CA Mine ID #91-38-0005), BCDC:

No violations or corrective measures were noted at time of inspection on December 29, 2011.

Hanson Suisun Bay Middleground (CA Mine ID #91-38-0006), BCDC:

No violations or corrective measures were noted at time of inspection on December 29, 2011.

Jerico Suisun Bay Middleground (CA Mine ID #91-38-0007), BCDC:

No violations or corrective measures were noted at time of inspection on December 30, 2011.

Morris Tug & Barge Marine Oyster Shell Mining (CA Mine ID #91-38-00011), BCDC:

No violations or corrective measures were noted at time of inspection on December 30, 2011.

San Francisco Marina Dredging Operation (CA Mine ID #91-38-0012), BCDC:

No violations or corrective measures were noted at time of inspection on December 27, 2011. Surface mining operations have never commenced at the subject site, and the inspector therefore considers the San Francisco Marina West Basin surface mining site to be reclaimed.

Parks Bar Quarry (CA Mine ID #91-58-0013), County of Yuba:

No violations or corrective measures were noted at time of inspection on October 27, 2011.

It is recommended that monitoring data for the existing ground cracks on the upper western overburden placement area be summarized and presented to the SMGB annually with the operator's 2011 mining operation annual report that is due to OMR by July 1, 2012. Additionally, the operator should immediately report any slope movement exceeding 0.5 inches to the SMGB.

Blue Point Clark Quarry (CA Mine ID #91-58-0015), County of Yuba:

No violations or corrective measures were noted at time of inspection on October 27, 2011.

Blue Point Mine (CA Mine ID #91-58-0021), County of Yuba:

No violations or corrective measures were noted at time of inspection on October 27, 2011.

**EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:** The Executive Officer recommends that the SMGB accept the twelve 2011 SMARA surface mining inspection reports, and transmit the findings contained therein to the SMARA lead agencies and mine operators.

**SUGGESTED MOTION LANGUAGE:**

To accept twelve 2011 SMARA surface mine inspection reports as presented:

*Mr. Chairman, in light of the information before the SMGB today, I move that the SMGB accept the twelve 2011 SMARA mine inspection reports as presented today, and transmit the findings to the respective SMARA lead agencies and mine operators.*

Respectfully submitted:



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Executive Officer